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Speed Post Services
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of functioning post offices and speed post counters and the total number of post offices and speed post counters proposed to be opened in the country, State-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of target set and achieved for setting up new post offices and sub-post offices in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the present post offices by increasing their status from post office to sub-post office, sub-post office to main post office and main post office to general post office;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Chhattisgarh; and

(e) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments to increase the status of post offices and new post offices in the newly created districts in the country and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) 1,54,939 Post Offices and 63,707 Speed Post Counters are functional in the country. Postal Circle-wise number of these Post Offices and Speed Post Counters including Chhattisgarh is at Annexure-I. It has been proposed to open 92 Branch Post Offices (BOs), 139 Sub-Post Offices (SOs) in the country including Chhattisgarh during current financial year (2015-16). Postal Circle-wise number of these Post Offices and Speed Post Counters is at Annexure-II.
(b) Postal Circle-wise target set and achieved for setting up new Branch Post Offices (BOs) and Sub Post Offices (SOs) in the country during last three financial years and the current financial year is at Annexure-III.

(c) & (d) The upgradation of existing Branch Post Offices into Sub-Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices into Mukhya Dak Ghar/ Head Post Offices is based on the workload and after following the prescribed Departmental norms. It is an on-going process. Circle-wise details of proposals for upgradation of BOs into SOs and SOs into Mukhya Dak Ghar (MDG)/ Head Post Office (HO) are at Annexure-IV.

(e) No, Madam.